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Amendments of the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (CANCELED)

2. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The method of claim 20 comprising enabling to download the control data from the server to the device upon access by the device to the server.

3. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The method of claim 20, further comprising enabling to download the control data from the server to a further system of the user for programming the device upon transfer of the control data from the further system to the device.

4. (ORIGINAL) The method of claim 3, wherein the further system comprises at least one of the following: a set-top box; a PC; a telephone.

5. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The method of claim 20, wherein the user accesses the server via a further system different from the device.

6. (ORIGINAL) The method of claim 5, wherein the server provides the respective applications for being interacted with via respective further systems.

7. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The method of claim 5, wherein the user accesses the server through the further system from a location remote from the device.

8. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The method of claim 7, wherein the user requests the server to establish contact with the device and the server establishes the contact in response to the user's request.

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10. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The method of claim 20, wherein the device comprises at least one of the following: a personal video recorder, an audio jukebox, a television set, a home entertainment system.

11. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The method of claim 20, wherein the user is enabled to interact with the server via speech input.

12. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The method of claim 20, wherein the user is enabled to specify the preference to a human operator who interacts with the server based on the user's preference.

13. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The method of claim 20, wherein:
- the server has a data base with information relating to the user and acquired prior to the user entering the preference; and
- the generation of the control data takes into account the information in the data base.

14. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The method of claim 20, comprising enabling a second user to program the device for operation according to a further preference of the second user, the method comprising enabling the second user to interact via the network with the server for generating further control data to program the device according to the further preference.

15-19. (CANCELED)

20. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A method of enabling a user to configure a device, the method comprising:

providing user-access to a remote server over a network to enable the user to enter a preference for configuration of the device, the preference including a user-selection for scheduling recording at the device of multimedia content that will be received by the device and functional parameters for configuring audio/video settings of the device during play out;

generating control data at the remote server from the entered preference for configuration of the device according to the entered preference;

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sending the control data from the remote server onto the device causing an initiation of the device configuration to enable recording of multimedia content and configuring audio/video settings according to the entered preference.

21. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The method of Claim 20, wherein the user-selection comprises a selection for processing by the device of one of various pieces of multimedia content that will be received by the device.

22. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A device comprising:

a connector for receiving control data having been generated at a remote server from an entered user preference for configuration of the device, the preference including a user-selection for scheduling recording at the device of multimedia content and functional parameters for configuring audio/video settings of the device during play out;

a configuration unit for initiating a configuration of the device based on the control data received from the remote server; and,

a processing unit for initiating recording of multimedia content received by the device and configuring audio/video settings according to the received control data.

23. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The device of claim 22, wherein the device further comprises a personal video recorder.

24. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The device of Claim 22, wherein the connector gains access to the server and receives the control data from the server upon gaining access to the server.

25. (CANCELED)

26. (CANCELED)

27. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The method of claim 20, wherein the control data includes a start time and an end time for recording.

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28. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The method of claim 22, wherein the control data includes a start time and an end time for recording.

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